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What's Happening on the Demonstration Front?

As soon as Bill 311 A became a law on September 17, announcements of the opportunity for consideration as the demonstration area were sent to the chairmen of all county boards of supervisors, the county superintendents of schools, chairmen of the County Federation of Women's Clubs, the librarians and chairmen of library boards and the mayors, city managers and village presidents. In addition, a general announcement was sent to all daily and weekly papers.

Mr. Botsford was invited and discussed the law with the County Boards Association at their annual meeting at Rhinelander on September 21. Since that time the Commission staff has participated in some forty meetings in twenty-five different counties. Staff members have participated in the meetings at the request of local groups concerned with the possibilities of bringing the demonstration to their areas. Requests for information from a number of other counties have come to the Secretary's office.

The County Boards of Supervisors will take final action on the local appropriation necessary for qualification for consideration at their November meetings which last until about November 20.

As the Bulletin "goes to press" two counties, Door and Kewaunee, have appropriated the necessary funds and have made formal application for a bi-county demonstration.

The local response, the interest, effective organization for action and the enthusiasm of local people has been most encouraging and stimulating to Commission workers. They have been having a BUSY time, but have found it a great privilege to know and to work with the many fine people of our state who are vitally concerned with the future of public library service. Incidentally they have also been getting a liberal education in local politics and a rapidly increasing respect for, in fact awe of, the intricacies of local government.

Those Wisconsin librarians who may be interested in joining the demonstration staff will be glad of the news that selection of the area will be made within the next few weeks, and recruitment for the staff will take place soon afterwards.

The work of the Wisconsin Library Association and its many friends and of individual librarians has already paid dividends in good will and public relations which can never be measured. A.F.

Mrs. Orrilla M. Thompson underwent a thyroidectomy, October 28th, and is now recuperating at home. Present plans are that she will be back at work the first of December.

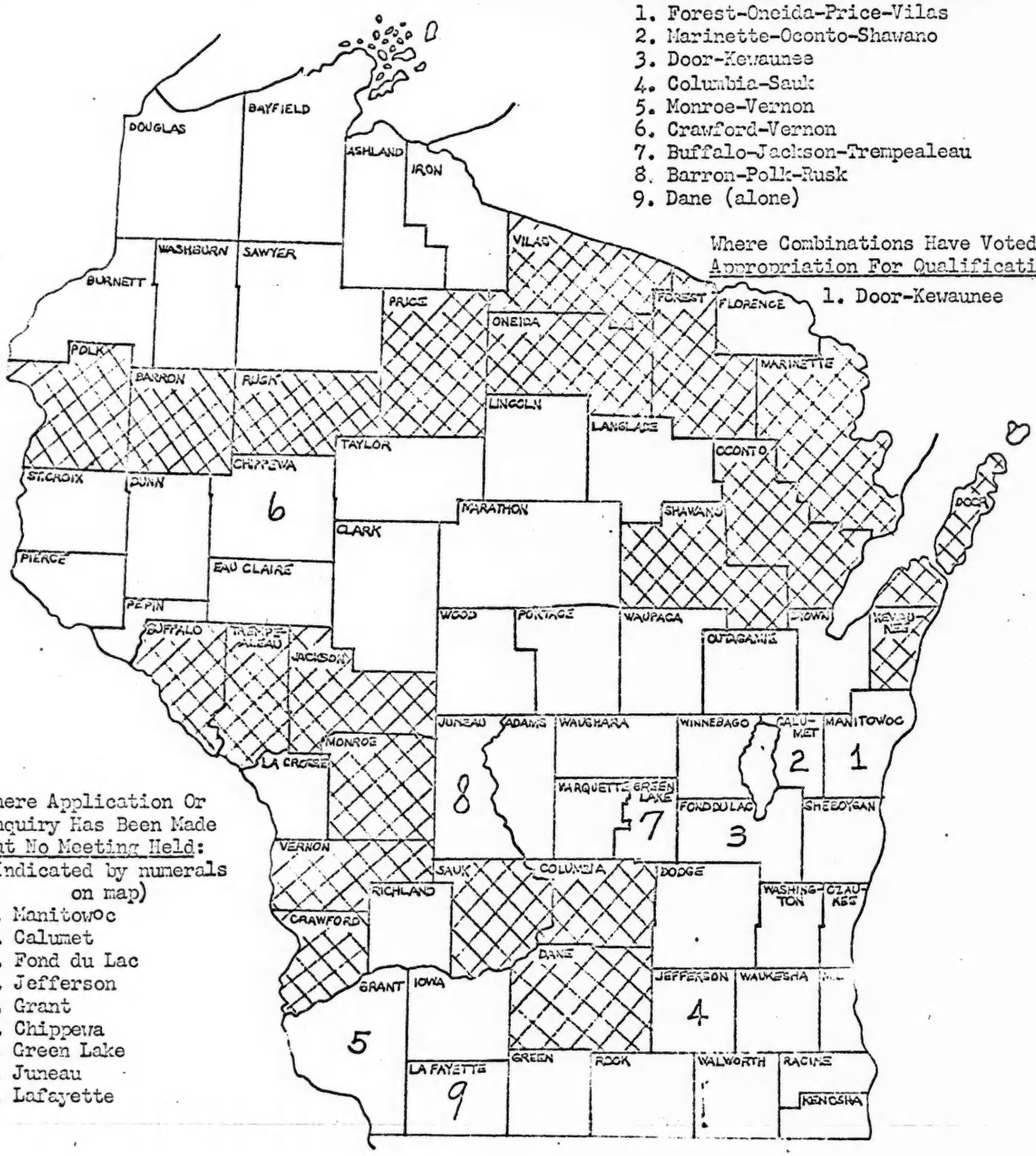
STATUS OF DEMONSTRATION PROMOTION AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 1949

Where Meetings Have Been Held By Cooperating County Combinations:

1. Forest-Oneida-Price-Vilas
2. Marinette-Oconto-Shawano
3. Door-Kewaunee
4. Columbia-Sauk
5. Monroe-Vernon
6. Crawford-Vernon
7. Buffalo-Jackson-Trempealeau
8. Barron-Polk-Rusk
9. Dane (alone)

Where Combinations Have Voted Appropriation For Qualification:

1. Door-Kewaunee



Where Application Or Inquiry Has Been Made But No Meeting Held:
(Indicated by numerals on map)

1. Manitowoc
2. Calumet
3. Fond du Lac
4. Jefferson
5. Grant
6. Chippewa
7. Green Lake
8. Juneau
9. Lafayette

Midcentury White House Conference on Children and Youth

The White House Conference will be held the week of December 3, 1950. At the September 8 - 9 meeting of the National Committee the following conference theme was adopted:

The Midcentury White House Conference on Children and Youth bases its concern for children on the primacy of spiritual values, democratic practice, and the dignity and worth of every individual. Accordingly the purpose of the conference shall be to consider how we can develop in children the mental, emotional and spiritual qualities essential to individual happiness and to responsible citizenship.

To do this the conference shall--

(a) bring together in usable form pertinent knowledge related to the development of children, and indicate areas in which further knowledge is needed;

(b) examine the environment in which children are growing up, with a view to determining its influence on them;

(c) study the ways in which the home, the school, the church, welfare agencies and other social institutions, invividually and cooperatively, are serving the needs of children;

(d) formulate, through cooperative efforts of laymen and specialists, proposals for the improvement of parental, environmental, and institutional influences on children;

(e) suggest means whereby these proposals may be communicated to the people and put into action.

The National Committee recognized that in order to make this a truly representative conference a plan of organization needed to be worked out that would provide an opportunity for citizens of this country to participate fully. Accordingly an Executive Committee was elected by the National Committee, with Leonard W. Mayo, director of the Association for the Aid of Crippled Children of New York, as chairman; advisory councils and technical and special committees were set up. Detailed information appears in The Child, October 1949; reprints are now available.

Dudgeon Memorial

In response to requests from friends, funds are being solicited for a book memorial to the late Matthew S. Dudgeon, City Librarian of the Milwaukee Public Library for 21 years before he retired in 1941. Mr. Dudgeon died last July.

Funds collected will be used to buy books in the adult education field, which Mr. Dudgeon emphasized strongly during his many years in the library. In each book so purchased a memorial bookplate will be placed. Persons interested in the book memorial feel this is a particularly appropriate way to express their sympathy and respect for Mr. Dudgeon.

As a friend of Mr. Dudgeon, the committee felt that you would want to contribute to this worthy cause. All checks should be made payable to the

Matthew Dudgeon Memorial Fund
Hazel Medway Schmidt, Chairman

and mailed to the Milwaukee Public Library.

NEW ADULT BOOKS

A Selected List Edited by Jennie T. Schrage, Chief
Traveling Library Department

Philosophy - Religion

Lofts, Norah. Women in the Old Testament. 1949. 178p. Macmillan, $2.50 221.92

A group of intriguing character studies. Biblical material on some of the characters is meagre, so the author draws on knowledge of times and customs, and an imaginative conception of what a woman of the given type would be.

Merton, Thomas. The waters of Siloe. 1949. 377p. illus. Harcourt, $3.50 271.1

The author's The Seven storey mountain (Bulletin, April '49) has been so popular that many who enjoyed it will want to read this history of the Cistercian Order. Life in a Trappist monastery is described and illustrated with photographs. See Booklist 46:77 N. 1'49.

Rosenhaupt, Hans W. How to wage peace. 1949. 242p. Day, $2.95 172.4

Subtitled "The citizen's handbook for action," and based on the premise that peace is preferred to war and that many approaches are possible, this is definitely a reference tool and a valuable one, a must for public libraries. It is not an opinion book, but points out ways to wage peace in your own community, in Washington, and in the United Nations, with addresses of organizations and a brief explanation of the make-up and objectives of each, programs, lecturers, etc.

Runbeck, Margaret Lee. Answer without ceasing. 1949. 333p. Houghton, $3. 248

Written in the form of discussions with a young disillusioned friend of cases of cures, escapes and successes attributed to prayer, the author reveals her personal philosophy of a God-directed life. Most of the case histories came to her in response to her previous book, The great answer. Will interest and inspire many who usually avoid religious reading.

Van Paassen, Pierre. Why Jesus died. 1949. 238p. Dial, $3. 232.9

The argument is that Jesus was the unwitting tool of a group of Zealots, who used Him for their own ends and that His death was due to the authorities' need to dispose of the leadership of this rebel group. It ends with a call to present-day Christians to make real the Kingdom of God.

Washburn, Ruth Wendell. Children know their friends. 1949. 192p. Morrow, $2.50 136.7

Eight chapters discuss for the educated mother pertinent problems in child development. Chapter 2 on "Helping children to learn" is especially good on discipline, neither too much nor too little. An unusual, striking and interesting presentation. A book to recommend. See Booklist 46:60 O. 15 '49.

Social Sciences

Beebe, Lucius and Clegg, Charles. U. S. West: the saga of Wells Fargo. 1949. 314p. illus. Dutton, $7.50 385

Remarkably interesting, instructive and historically important book, illustrated chiefly by photographs of the period. Covers the entire panorama of the settling of the great West. Bibliography and index. Recommended, if the price does not seem too high for the budget. See Booklist 46:78 N. 1'49.

Botkin, Benjamin Albert, ed. Treasury of southern folklore. 1949. 762p. Crown, $4. 398

Indeed a treasury. Amusing and varied, and unflaggingly entertaining. Contains more than five hundred stories and one hundred songs, with the music.

Linton, Ralph and Adelin. We gather together: the story of Thanksgiving. 1949. 97p. illus. Henry Schuman, $2. 394

The origins and traditions of Thanksgiving, from the harvest festivals of the ancient

world to the present American holiday. Useful as well as interesting.

Natural Science - Useful Arts

Burlingame, Roger. Backgrounds of power; the human story of mass production. 1949. 352p. Scribner, $5. 609

An industrial history that offers an overall panorama of technological progress. For an audience specially concerned in industrial trends, but more interested in people than in machines.

Doherty, Beka. Cancer. 1949. 322p. Random House, $3. 616.9

Considered from the viewpoint of patient, physician, and research worker, and also as a public health problem, this is by far the most intensive and comprehensive book on cancer for the layman which has been done. The first informed and intelligent presentation of this disease, this should fill a real need.

Hogben, Lancelot. From cave painting to comic strip. 1949. 280p. illus. Chanticleer, $5. 650.9

"The redoubtable scholarship and the happy turn of phrase again combined in a history of visual communications from ancient times to the present. The culture of today, its antecedents and development through one medium of expression is given a spirited and sparkling interpretation." Kirkus.

Leopold, Aldo. A sand county almanac, and Sketches here and there. 1949. 226p. illus. Oxford, $3.50 504

Slight but charming essays with a Wisconsin background. In three sections: Part I at "the shack" a Wisconsin week-end farm; Part II Comments on forty years of conservation as it is practiced; and III The author's creed of conservation.

Rothmann, S. C., ed. Constructive uses of atomic energy, by Samuael K. Allyson and others. 1949. 258p. illus. Harper, $3. 541.2

A comprehensive picture, by fourteen scientists, of the potential everyday usefulness of atomic energy, some of which are now being used in industry and medicine. See Booklist 46:60 O. 15 '49.

Fine Arts

Robb, David Metheny and Garrison, Jesse Janes. Art in the western world. rev. ed. 1942. 1135p. illus. Harper, $6.50 709

Revised edition of the excellent book published in 1935. One of the best.

Literature

Henry, Ralph and Pannell, Lucile. My American heritage: a collection of songs, poems, speeches, sayings and other writings dear to our hearts. 1949. 287p. illus. Rand, $3. 810.8 or 820.8

The sub-title describes it, all the old favorites by American authors seem to be here. Good author, title and first line index. Will be useful in any library.

Hill, Frank Ernest. To meet Will Shakespeare. 1949. 467p. Dodd, $4. 822.3

Frequently using the device of imagined conversations, but always true to known facts about the Elizabethan theatre and age, the author makes Shakespeare a real person. Discussion of the plays in their period is excellent, and the final postscript on "the imposters" disposes effectually of the doubts of Shakespeare's authorship of the plays which bear his name. Highly readable.

Jacobs, Florence Burrill. Neighbors. 1949. 54p. Harper, $2.50 811 or 821

Sonnets with a story-telling quality in which you meet the people on New England farms. Witty, tender, and sometimes biting. Have been compared to Spoon River Anthology.

Sayers, Dorothy Leigh. The Man born to be King. 1943. 339p. Harper, $3.75. 822 or 812

Life of Christ in a play cycle of twelve dramatic episodes, given originally over the British Broadcasting Company, and just published. Adaptable for presentation by church drama groups, but permission must be obtained from author's agent.

Smith, Hannah. For Heaven's sake. 1949. 266p. Little, $3. 828

The daughter of a "True Believer" minister writes of growing up in such a household, with all its adolescent conflicts, and yet with an affection and admiration for the

father whose uncompromising ideals made life difficult. More sincere than many of the "family" books, but told with a light touch.

History

Allen, Robert Sharon, ed. Our sovereign state. 1949. Vanguard, $4.50 973

An explosive book, packed with dynamite, for here, according to Allen, is the rotten spot at the heart of our system. The article on Wisconsin is written by William T. Evjue, editor of the Capitol Times (Madison) so this state comes off rather well, except for criticism wherever it fails to follow the LaFollettee line. Very good reading.

Belden, Jack. China shakes the world. 1949. 523p. Harper, $5. 951

A source book of importance on the Chinese people, based on nine years in China (1933-1942) and a return in 1946 into the communist controlled areas. Interestingly written, full of vivid incidents, not all of them pleasant. A window on what happens when a great people are caught up in a "convulsive mass passion."

Corle, Edwin. The royal highway. (El Camino Real) 1949. 339p. illus. Bobbs, $4. 979.4

The Spanish El Camino Real ran from Loreto in lower California to the Golden Gate, with missions spaced along it, and was blazed by Portola in the 1760's. Mr. Corle tells much of California's history and anecdote along this way, now the route of U. S. 101 from San Diego to San Francisco. Authentic and well told. See Booklist 46:1 S. 1 '49.

Costain, Thomas Bertram. The conquerors. (Pageant of England, Vol. 1) 1949. 430p. illus. maps. Doubleday, $4. 942.02

Popularly written account of England's rulers from William the Conqueror to John. Though not a well-rounded picture of the times, it is a successful presentation of strong and diverse personalities. Useful with young people. See Booklist 46:80 N. 1 '49.

Morris, David Elwyn. China changed my mind. 1949. 202p. Houghton, $2.50 940.53

The saga of an English pacifist who drove a Friends Ambulance truck on the Burma Road, telling how his experiences changed his previous convictions. Not a dull page in the book, a good deal of admirable writing, and behind it all, a cheerful humorous, courageous and conscientious personality.

Peattie, Donald Culross. American heartwood. 1949. Houghton, $3.50 973

A famous naturalist, in simple splendid prose, shows how the history of the country has been deeply shaded by the facts of its forests. The human timber, the men and women who are the heartwood of America, are the chief topics of the book. Heartily recommended, ideal for young people.

Smith, Goldwin. A history of England. 1949. 862p. maps. Scribner, $6.75. 942

An extraordinary achievement, a one-volume history that sustains a lively pace and maintains proper perspective. Broad range view throughout. Readable, fluent, lively.

Williams, Francis. Socialist Britain: its background, its present, and an estimate of its future. 1949. 278p. Viking, $3. 942.08

By one of the best intellects of British socialism, this is a comprehensive and revealing study of its purposes, methods and leadership. Readable, stimulates thought, but not necessarily agreement.

Description - Travel

Gutheim, Frederick. The Potomac. 1949. Rinehart, $4. 917.5

This 40th volume of the Rivers of America has less history as such, and more of the flavor and atmosphere of people and places than some of the others, and so will appeal to a more general reader interest than the sharply regional volumes.

MacDonald, Alexander. Bangkok editor. 1949. 229p. Macmillan, $3.50 915.93

An account of the years 1946 to 1949 by a newspaper man who ran an English newspaper in

Siam, the Bangkok Post. Siamese politics, human interest, saints and sinners, a current events account which offers light on a little known country in an intimate manner.

Rand McNally's cosmopolitan world atlas. 1949. 335p. illus. maps. Rand, $12.50 912

Easiest large atlas to use, index comprehensive, colors clear and bright, extensive section of supplementary material. A superb job!

Webster's geographical dictionary. 1949. 1293p. 24p. maps. Merriam, $8.50 910.3

A new reference tool, needed for all schools and libraries. 40,000 geographical names, guide to pronunciation, foreign language equivalents of English terms. Information on cities is sometimes inaccurate, however.

Biography

Freeman, Don. Come one, come all. 1949. 244p. illus. Rinehart, $3.50 921 or 759.13

This sort of biography of the writer, who arrived in New York with a trumpet and an artist's sketch pad (he did the illustrations) is delightful light reading. At times the story has bubbling humor, at times nostalgia, but it is good fun.

Harvey, Ruth. Curtain time. 1949. 310p. Houghton, $3. 921

Story of a great Canadian theatre in the early years of the present century. With a mother who was an actress and a father who was manager of the Winnipeg Theatre, the author's life was an interesting one, and she tells about it with warmth and humor. Recommended for all libraries.

Mauldin, William Henry. A sort of a saga. 1949. illus. Sloane, $3.50 921

Bill Mauldin's childhood in New Mexico and Arizona, with the emphasis on his rolling stone father. It has a nice flow of reminiscence, and has been called a western Huck Finn. Enjoyable.

Moley, Raymond. 27 masters of politics. 1949. 276p. Funk & Wagnalls, $3.50 920

The Newsweek editor gives, from personal contact, a series of profiles of contemporary political figures. Some crisp career histories, tho one may not agree with the author in all his estimates of individuals. End paper photographs would have been better incorporated in the book. Entertaining.

Overseas Press Club members. Men who make your world. 1949. 319p. Dutton, $3.50 920

Twenty-five personal and political sketches of current international figures, with an intelligent interpretation of their political stance and significance.

Pollard, John Albert. John Greenleaf Whittier: friend of man. 1949. Houghton, $6. 921

A complete and exhaustive study of the life and work of the poet. Extremely well written and completely documented with notes, appendices and bibliography. Useful for the study of early 19th century literature at the college level.

Rogers, Will. Autobiography of Will Rogers; selected and edited by Donald Day. 1949. 395p. Houghton, $3. 921

Assembled chiefly from his syndicated columns, this presents a picture of the period that is less humorous than tart, and seen in perspective, all too true. See Booklist 45:345 Je. 15'49.

Roosevelt, Eleanor Roosevelt. This I remember. 1949. 387p. Harper, $4.50 921

Covers her life from F. D. R. 's election as Governor of New York to his death. No great revelations except of human values, but reveals Mrs. Roosevelt as a very great, very simple person with a keen awareness of the demands made on her and the importance of meeting them. Wise, penetrating, and in parts, deeply moving.

Spence, Hartzell. Happily ever after. 1949. 259p. Whittlesey, $3. 921

The author of One foot in heaven and Get thee behind me (Bulletin, Nov. '42) goes on with the experiences of his family. He and his wife purchase a run-down farm in Virginia. Reinforced by advice from 800 Dept. of Agriculture pamphlets, they worked hard to build the place, only to discover that they were not farmers. Good reading. See Booklist 46:79 N. 1 '49.

Fiction

Aldrich, Bess Streeter. Journey into Christmas. 1949. 265p. Appleton, $2.75

A collection of the author's Christmas stories, some contemporary, some might-be-true stories of the past. For family reading aloud. See Booklist 46:76 N.1'49.

Asch, Sholem. Mary. 1949. 436p. Putnam, $3.50

With the addition of little which is not inherent in the Biblical records, a unique mother-son relationship becomes the basis for a novel of great beauty. Completes the trilogy of which The Nazarene and The Apostle are the other members. For all libraries.

Cameron, Owen. The Owl and the Pussycat. 1949. 240p. Harper, $2.50

The erratic captain of a privately owned ferry boat suddenly decides to gratify a life's desire for a trip to China, and starts out with a miscellaneous group of passengers, including his daughter, a lovelorn swain of hers, a couple of gangsters, and a millionaire who wants to buy the boat. Incidentally, there is a murder, but the whole tale is humorous. Light but amusing.

Clark, Walter Van Tilburg. The track of the cat. 1949. 404p. Random House, $3.50

A symbolic novel in which the struggle between good and evil parallels the hunt for a black panther by two brothers in Nevada. Harsh, tense, full of suspense, well written though repulsive in the opinion of some reviewers. For the mature reader.

Coles, Manning, pseud. Diamonds to Amsterdam. 1949. Doubleday, $2.25

Another Tommy Hambledon story of intrigue and smuggling.

Conibear, Frank and Blundell, J. L. The wise one. 1949. 265p. Sloane, $2.75

Intensely interesting life story of a beaver, who is just as much a personality as though he were a human being. See Booklist 46:43 O. 1'49.

Deasy, Mary. Cannon Hill. 1949. 310p. Little, $3.

Rhoda Beauchamp has made the old family home in midwest Cannon Hill into a boarding house, where Bronwen Brand and her father come to stay, complicating the lives of Rhoda, her brother Virgil, whose son Sam loves Bronwen. Good character delineation.

Fisher, Dorothy Canfield. Four square. 1949. 236p. Harcourt, $3.

Seventeen short stories, most of them previously published in magazines, each of which gives clear picture of a character, a problem or a situation. They are all New England people, but might be anywhere, in your town or mine. Recommended. See Booklist 46:58 O. 15 '49.

Guthrie, Alfred Bertram, jr. The way west. 1949. 340p. Sloane, $3.50

From Independence, Mo. to Oregon with a wagon train, with all the tragedy and joy, the tensions and passions of the trail. A worthwhile addition to the historical novels of the westward trek, by the author of The big sky. See Booklist 46:63 O. 15 '49.

Kennelly, Ardith. Peaceable kingdom. 1949. Houghton, $3.

A story of Mormonism at the time that the United States was investigating and endeavoring to uproot polygamy. It is a psychological novel of plural marriage centering around a second wife, Linnea, balanced, neither for nor against the Mormon tenets, but emphasizing human values in a difficult time. Recommended. See Booklist 46:76 N. 1 '49.

Lincoln, Victoria. Celia Amberley. 1949. 370p. Rinehart, $3.

Celia's story from babyhood until maturity, through all the adolescent years and until she finds the man she will marry and be secure. No very important plot, but an understanding of the inner feelings of its heroine that makes it seem almost autobiographical. Would interest mothers of teen-age daughters.

Loring, Emilie. Love came laughing by. 1949. 274p. Little, $2.75

Light romance, with a spice of inter-

national intrigue and Washington politics.

Marshall, Bruce. To everyman a penny. 1949. 345p. Houghton, $3.

The story of Abbe Gaston through two world wars and up to the present day, chiefly in Paris. Slow paced and with less humor than his previous books, but with considerable understanding of human nature and more religion.

Mian, Mary. The merry miracle. 1949. 132p. illus. Houghton, $2.

There is a folktale quality and humor in this story of an old convent converted into a saints' rest, to which some very human saints come from paradise, and a small devil also arrives. But, thanks to the little maid Bichette, who arranges the "miracle" that the village demands, all are happier and wiser in the end. Entertaining light story. See Booklist 46:58 O. 15 '49.

O'Neal, Charles. The three wishes of Jamie McRuin. 1949. 248p. Messner, $2.75

Jamie dreamed that the Queen of Fairies promised him much travel, the wife of his choice and a son who spoke the Gaelic of the Irish bards. Just how these wishes came true involves a very human story with overtones of Irish folklore. Won the Christopher award for a book of high literary merit which relects Christian values. Recommended. See Booklist 46:83 N. 1 '49.

Symons, Julian Gustave. Bland beginning. 1949. 236p. Harper, $2.50

Murders that follow the purchase at auction of what appear to be valuable early editions. Enough humor and good writing so that even non-suspense addicts will like it.

Winslow, Anne Goodwin. It was like this. 1949. 223p. Knopf, $2.50

Another of her romantic short novels with a Southern setting. In this story of two brothers and their love for their foster sister, she paints a picture of emotional tension against a serene background. See Booklist 46:63 O. 15 '49.

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Selected and Annotated
by Elizabeth Burr

For Younger Children

Balet, Jan. B. Ned and Ed and the lion. 1949. illus. [23p.] Oxford, $2.50

Ned and Ed are twins, born on Sunday and so could understand the language of Max, the unhappy merry-go-round lion. Irresistible pictures, color and story with the right balance of nonsense and sense make an outstanding picture book for the pre-school age.

Frost, Frances Mary. The little whistler. 1949. 48p. illus. Whittlesey, $2. 811

Roger Duvoisin's excellent illustrations and the child-like quality and charm of these seasonal poems make a welcome addition to any library's poetry collection. Grades 1 - 5. See Booklist 46:69 O. 15 '49.

Govan, Christine Noble. Mr. Hermit Miser and the neighborly pumpkin. 1949. [42p.] illus. Aladdin (bds.), $1.75

"Humorous story of a stingy, cantankerous old man whose pumpkin vine ran through his broken down fence into the neighbors' orderly yards. He was eventually reformed through his love for pumpkin pie which he tried unsuccessfully to make. Sturdy; good paper and print; board covered with cloth backstrip. Recommended for 7 - 9 year olds." —Juanita Walker, Superior, in Library Journal.

Mother Goose. Mother Goose, illus. by Garry MacKenzie. 1949. illus. 177p. Crowell, $2.50 398

The inclusion of nearly three hundred rhymes, illustrated by more than two hundred pictures in black and white that combine traditional and contemporary treatment in MacKenzie's best manner, make this an important new edition to consider. Includes an index of titles and first lines.

Paull, Grace A. A horse to ride. 1949. [28p.] illus. Doubleday (bds.), $1.25

A picture book that tells of Terry and his Aunt Mary's desire for a horse to ride and how Turk, the palomino, came. Not only for the picture book age with the beauty of its lithographed drawings but 2d and 3d graders will find it a satisfying horse story that they can read. Board with cloth spine.

McClung, Robert M. Sphinx; the story of a caterpillar. 1949. 46p. illus. Morrow, $2.

A straightforward factual presentation of the life of these caterpillars told in simple easy text and with clear illustrations. Grades 2 - 4. See Booklist 46:16 S. 1 '49.

McMeekin, Isabella (McLennan). The first book of horses. 1949. 45p. illus. Watts, $1.50

A splendid introduction to the different breeds of horses, characteristics and uses, care and training, and the part they have played in the world of man. Pers Crowell's colorful pictures, a glossary of terms used by horsemen and a picture correctly naming the parts of the body are added features for the younger horse lover. Grades 3 - 5. See Booklist 46:104 N. 15 '49.

Scott, Sally. Judy's baby. 1949. 45p. illus. Harcourt, $1.75

One little girl's adjustment after a new baby came, attained through the love and understanding of her parents. Children with or without the problem of a new baby will enjoy this beginning reading book. See Booklist 46:38 S. 15 '49.

Spooks and spirits and shadowy shapes. 1949. illus. 167p. Aladdin, $2. 394

Nine Halloween stories that have been written expressly for this collection and which will fill a need for spooky stories for the younger readers. Grades 3-4. See Booklist 46:86 N. 1 '49.

Swayne, Sam and Zoa. Great-grandfather in the honey tree. 1949. illus. 44p. Viking, $2.

One day at great-grandmother's insistence, great-grandfather went hunting. How it happened that great-grandfather, armed with only one load for his gun and a bird net, brought home a bear, a fish, two dozen geese, a partridge, a deer, twelve turkeys and a barrel of wild honey makes a diverting tall tale in the best American tradition. Good for reading aloud to the picture book age. Boards with cloth spine. See Booklist 46:86 N. 1 '49.

For Older Boys and Girls

Burgwyn, Mebane Holoman. Lucky mischief. 1949. 246p. illus. Oxford, $2.50

Another sympathetic and heart warming story of a Negro boy, living in Occoneechee Neck in North Carolina, the same scene and treatment as the author's River Treasure. Allen's raising his calf for the 4-H contest, his competition with a newcomer for leadership and eventual growth of friendship with him, and his attempts to earn the reward for information regarding an escaped convict, make an absorbing story for 10 to 12 year olds. See Booklist 46:51 O. 1 '49.

Dawson, Mitchell. The magic firecrackers. 1949. 192p. illus. Viking, $2.50

Magic appeared on the banks of the Rappanassee for Greg when his globe-trotting Uncle Dick turned up with hundreds of Chinese and a pack of ancient Chinese firecrackers. An exciting book that combines the fantasy of wishes granted by magic and the reality of school and farm chores with a most unusual skill. Grades 5 - 7.

Evernden, Margery. The runaway apprentice. 1949. illus. Random, $2.50 138p.

Ho, the irresponsible fourth son of a rich Chinese merchant, a weaver of tales and a prankster, runs away from the trouble that his latest prank has called down upon his head and joins a troupe of travelling shadow-players. His lucky solving of the mystery of his father's and brother's unjust imprisonment and his decision to follow the shadows earns his family's respect in this tale made distinctive by its fine writing and charming with its flavor of an ancient legend. See Booklist 46:51 O. 1 '49.

Henry, Marguerite. Sea star. 1949. illus. 172p. Rand, $2.75

A sequel to Misty of Chincoteague (Bulletin Nov. '47) that has the same picturesque background and excitement of a wild pony roundup. The children rescue an orphan foal and fight to save its life when Misty, grown up, embarks for New York to appear in a movie. Grades 4 - 7. See Booklist 46:104 N. 15 '49.

Hungerford, Edward Buell. Escape to danger. 1949. 282p. illus. Wilcox & Follett, $2.50

A young Yankee seaman, captured by the British from an American brigantine early in the Revolutionary war, escapes from Mill Prison in Plymouth to join John Paul Jones and fight in the battle of the Bon Homme Richard against the Serapis. An exciting tale with authentic background that makes the challenge "I have not yet begun to fight" live again. Grades 5 - 7.

Jewett, Eleanore Myers. Mystery at Boulder Point. 1949. 281p. illus. Viking, $2.50

A Cape Cod boy and girl, hearing the story of the "mooncusser" that haunts Boulder Point decide to investigate and find spooky caves, strange lights on the moors and an unearthly vision of a square-rigged ship. Marty finds a real friend in the blind girl on the point and Michael discovers joy in the artistic training the artist brother gives him. Fine human and family relationships give added value to a well-written mystery. Grades 5-7.

Kingman, Lee. The best Christmas. 1949. 95p. illus. Doubleday, $1.50

The Finnish-American Seppalas, living on Cape Anne, expect a sad Christmas because of the brother missing at Sea. It is ten year old Erkki's determination and ingenuity that brings happiness, and Matti's return that makes it the best Christmas ever. Close family relationships, pleasure in simple things and a perfect Christmas spirit throughout make this an excellent reading aloud Christmas book, and for 9 to 11 year olds to read. See Booklist 46:104 N. 15'49.

Lenski, Lois. Cotton in my sack. 1949. 190p. illus. Lippincott, $2.50

Ten year old Joanda's life is bound up in the hope of each cotton crop and the backbreaking work of picking cotton along with her family who are share croppers in Arkansas. Her longing for security for her family is realistically and sympathetically portrayed in this latest of the author's regional stories. Grades 5 - 7. See Booklist 46:16 S. 1 '49.

Marshall, Dean. Dig for treasure. 1949. 188p. illus. Dutton, $2.50

The four young Guthries of the Invisible island (Bulletin, Dec. '48) are joined by four other boys and girls in their search for real buried treasure, hidden on their "island" in the 17th century. Fourth to sixth graders who enjoyed the first story will enjoy this sequel, although it is a delightful imaginative story in its own right. See Booklist 46:69 O. 15 '49.

Meigs, Cornelia. Two arrows. 1949. 249p. Macmillan, $2.50

The heroes of the story are two brothers, Ronald and Jan, banished from England in 1745 through no fault of their own. They become indentured servants on a tidewater plantation in Maryland - Ronald, working at his trade as a builder, and Jan, becoming a boat boy. There are exciting events, an element of mystery and fine character delineation, against a rich historical background. Grades 5 - 8.

Rushmore, Helen. The lost treasure box. 1949. illus. 184p. Harcourt, $2.

"This will be a boon to all librarians who are trying to wean a reader away from a too heavy diet of mystery stories. There is a mystery here - complete with diary and secret drawer. More important, however, is the adjustment of three orphan children to a new family pattern." ... --Materials Center Service Bulletin. Fourth to sixth graders will read this mystery plus lively family happenings, with enjoyment, aided by the clear readable type. See Booklist 46:53 O. 1 '49.

Sechrist, Elizabeth (Hough). Once in the first times. 1949. 215p. illus. Macrae-Smith, $2.50 398

A first compilation of legends and folk tales from the Philippine Islands - some dealing with the coming of the first people to the islands, the other showing the influence of the Spanish and American folk tales on the imagination of the people. Useful for the story teller in showing the similarities of people everywhere. Grades 4 - 6. See Booklist 46:105 N. 15 '49.

For Young People

Andrews, F. Emerson. For Charlemagne. 1949. 207p. Harper, $2.50

Sigmund of Fulda came to the court of King Charles, before he was called Charlemagne, to study at the school of the famous Alcuin. A fine historical story of a little written-about period, each ending with Sigmund's decision not to become a warrior but to return to his home as a teacher. Junior high school.

Chipperfield, Joseph E. Storm of Dancerwood. 1949. 309p. illus. Longmans, $3.

The Alsatian dog, Storm, although kennel bred, felt his kinship with the animals of the wild as exemplified in his championship of the blind vixen, and yet remained the friend of man. Poetic in its telling, this dog story is unusual because of the feel of the countryside, the mystic quality of the moors and the beauty of the seasonal changes that the author interweaves into Storm's life. See Booklist 46:51 O. 1 '49.

Desmond, Alice (Curtis). The talking tree. 1949. 177p. illus. Macmillan, $2.50

"A fast moving tale of the perseverance against handicaps and hazards; totem pole raking and Indian beliefs and customs are interwoven with practically every kind of adventure possible in Alaska." —Booklist. It is the story of an Alaskan Indian boy who in order to inherit his uncle's chieftanship, must obtain and carve a very special totem pole in his uncle's honor. Junior high school. See Booklist 46:63 O. 15 '49.

Edmonds, Walter Dumaux. Cadmus Henry. 1949. 187p. Dodd, $3.

"Told succinctly and with unexpected currents of humor, this is a different and absorbing tale of the Civil War." — Booklist. It is an almost aimless tale of a seventeen year old who offering his services in the Confederate army becomes a balloon observer and changes his views on war, as he drifts between the lines and finds how much the armies are alike, and the fearless Abolitionist girl who rescues him. Junior and senior high school. See Booklist 46: 37 S. 15 '49.

Eyre, Katherine Wigmore. Another spring. 1949. illus. 207p. Oxford, $2.50

Primarily a love story - the tragic one of Lady Jane Grey, and the happy one of Meg and Taffy, two household servants - written against an authentic and realistic picture of Tudor England. The tragedy of Lady Jane's death or the cruelty of the period are not overdrawn, making excellent supplementary reading for junior and senior high school students. See Booklist 46:85 N. 1 '49.

Kjelgaard, James Arthur. A nose for trouble. 1949. 250p. Holiday, $2.50

With an underlying theme of the need for conservation of our wild life, this story has all the elements of the author's adventure stories at their best - well-written, an engaging dog, outdoor action and mystery. Tom Rainse, returning to his mountain home after an absence of five years, learns that the region's wild life is being ruthlessly cleaned out and with his bloodhound joins the game warden in the hunt for the poachers. Grades 7 - 9. See Booklist 46:105 N. 15 '49.

Prud'Hommeaux, Rene. The sunken forest. 1949. 248p. illus. Viking, $2.50

A first book by the husband of Patricia Gordon, laid against the background of their Fair Harbor home, an island off New York. Sixteen year old Jerry, his twelve year old sister, and their new friend, Steve, become involved in a game of spying and counterspying, mixed up with pirate treasure and the secrets of the sunken forest. Grades 7 - 9.

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An excellent and complete review of the new edition of Childcraft appears in the September 15 issue of Library Journal, p. 1335. It is written by Siri Andrews, now young people's librarian of the Concord, New Hampshire public library. There is a set available in the Library Extension Office for examination.

Wisconsin Elementary Principals' Association. Elementary film evaluation. Bulletin of the University of Wisconsin, 25 cents (outside the state).

This evaluation study of elementary films used in the course of regularly conducted classroom work was done by a group of Wisconsin teachers. Useful for public libraries using sound films in their children's program and as film information for work with teachers.

National Girl Scout Convention

More than 6,000 Girl Scout leaders, council members and other volunteer workers, representing the 1,400,000 membership of the Girl Scout organization attended the largest convention in the history of Girl Scouting in Milwaukee, November 15 - 18.

As a part of the troop camp exhibit, Milwaukee Public Library's Children's Department worked out a troop camp book exhibit for Senior Girl Scouts. Orange crate bookcases, made by Milwaukee Girl Scouts, were set up in the dining-kitchen tent to hold most of the books and others placed in the tents to show the use of books as a part of the camping experience. A book list for Senior Girl Scouts was distributed, made by the Milwaukee Public Library and the Wisconsin Library Commission.

This list "The Senior Scout goes to camp" is available on request, B-103 State Office Building, Madison 2.